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Starlet Cross

South Africa • 2026 Official Buyer's Guide

1496 cc

ENGINE

88 kW

POWER

185 mm

CLEARANCE

14.5 L/100

FUEL ECON

5 seats

SEATING

ZAR 304,900 – 375,900


Ex-Showroom Starting Price

<https://hagalu.com/south-africa/toyota/starlet-cross/>
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01 Overview & Quick Facts

Positioned between the standard Starlet hatchback and the Urban Cruiser SUV, the Starlet Cross adds a rugged crossover aesthetic to Toyota's affordable compact lineup. It features a slightly elevated ride height, crossover body cladding, and the same proven 1.5-litre petrol engine family. Available with manual and CVT transmission.



Body Style	5-door Crossover / High-Ride Hatchback
Launched	2022
Generation	First generation Starlet Cross for SA market
Fuel Types	Petrol
Colours	White Pearl, Silver Metallic, Black, Blue, Red
OEM Website	https://www.toyota.co.za/vehicles/starlet-cross

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Starting From	ZAR 304,900 – 375,900	4 Variants Available
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
1.5 XS MT	Petrol	Manual	Base	ZAR 304,900
1.5 XS CVT	Petrol	Automatic	Mid	ZAR 325,000
1.5 XR MT	Petrol	Manual	Top	ZAR 349,900
1.5 XR CVT	Petrol	Automatic	Top	ZAR 375,900

Estimated On-Road Price — 1.5 XS MT (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 319,558
Cape Town	ZAR 321,773
Durban	ZAR 317,849
Pretoria	ZAR 318,703

* On-road prices are estimates including registration, road tax and insurance.

03 Pros, Cons & Expert Verdict

<p>● STRENGTHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Crossover styling at an affordable price ✓ Higher ride height than standard Starlet ✓ Good fuel economy ✓ Toyota reliability ✓ Available in manual and CVT 	<p>● CONSIDERATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Limited engine power ✗ No AWD option ✗ Smaller than a full SUV ✗ Basic infotainment system
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Expert Verdict

"The best of both worlds – crossover looks at Starlet prices."

The Starlet Cross cleverly packages crossover appeal into an affordable, frugal package. It's ideal for SA buyers who want a trendy look without the running costs of a full SUV.

City Driving	Very good – raised ride height handles rough urban roads better than a standard hatch
Highway	Good – comfortable and efficient on open roads
Off-Road	Light gravel only – not designed for serious off-road use
Best For	Young buyers wanting SUV looks with hatchback running costs

04 Toyota Starlet Cross — 1.5 XS MT

ZAR 304,900

Petrol · Manual · Base Trim

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5L Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Type	Inline 4-cylinder 2NR-VE
Displacement	1496 cc	Cylinders	4
Valves per Cylinder	4	Power	88 kW
Power @ RPM	6000 rpm	Torque	140 Nm
Torque @ RPM	4800 rpm	Fuel System	Multi-Point Injection
Turbocharger	Not Available	Top Speed	170 km/h
0-100 km/h	11.8 sec	Compression Ratio	12.5:1
Engine Position	Front Transverse		—

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	5-speed Manual	Drive Type	FWD
Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive	LSD Available	Not Available
Paddle Shifters	Not Available	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable		—

DIMENSIONS

Ground Clearance	185 mm	Wheelbase	2620 mm
Length	4320 mm	Width	1795 mm
Height	1620 mm	Kerb Weight	1120 kg
Gross Vehicle Weight	1520 kg	Seating Capacity	5
Boot Space	290 l	Towing Capacity	Not Rated kg
Front Track Width	1520 mm	Rear Track Width	1510 mm
Turning Radius	5.2 m		—

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	14.5 km/l	City Mileage	11 km/l
Highway Mileage	17 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l
Emission Standard	Euro 5	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Auto Start Stop	Not Available		—

SAFETY

Airbags	4	ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	Traction Control	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Not Available	Hill Start Assist	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard	ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Brake Assist	Standard	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Standard
Engine Immobiliser	Standard	Alarm System	Standard
Central Locking	Standard	Side Impact Beams	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Manual AC	Power Windows	All Doors
Keyless Entry	Standard	Push Button Start	Not Available
Wireless Charging	Not Available	Sunroof	Not Available
Electric Tailgate	Not Available	Automatic Headlamps	Not Available
Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available	Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available

INFOTAINMENT & CONNECTIVITY

Infotainment Screen	8-inch Touchscreen	Apple CarPlay	Standard
Android Auto	Standard	Bluetooth Connectivity	Standard
Number of Speakers	4	Navigation System	Not Available
Digital Instrument Cluster	Not Available	USB Ports	1
Wireless Apple CarPlay	Not Available		—

INTERIOR

Seat Material	Fabric	Seat Adjustment	Manual
Heated Seats	Not Available	Ventilated Seats	Not Available
Steering Type	Electric Power Assisted	Steering Adjustment	Tilt and Telescopic
Ambient Lighting	Not Available	Folding Rear Seats	60/40 Split
Front Armrest	Standard	Rear Armrest	Not Available

EXTERIOR

LED Headlamps	LED Projector	Daytime Running Lamps	LED
Fog Lamps	Standard	Roof Rails	Standard
Alloy Wheel Design	Steel Wheels	Chrome Exterior Finish	Not Available
Body Cladding	Standard	Rear Spoiler	Not Available

DRIVER ASSISTANCE

Cruise Control	Standard	Adaptive Cruise Control	Not Available
Lane Keep Assist	Not Available	Lane Departure Warning	Not Available
Blind Spot Monitoring	Not Available	Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Not Available
Parking Sensors	Rear	Rear View Camera	Standard
360 Degree Camera	Not Available	Autonomous Emergency Braking	Not Available
Driver Fatigue Alert	Not Available	Traffic Sign Recognition	Not Available

SUSPENSION & CHASSIS

Front Suspension	MacPherson Strut	Rear Suspension	Torsion Beam
Chassis Type	Monocoque	Power Steering	Electric
Steering Column	Tilt and Telescopic		—

TYRES, WHEELS & BRAKES

Tyre Size	215/60 R17	Wheel Type	Steel
Front Brake Type	Ventilated Disc	Rear Brake Type	Drum

Spare Wheel Type	Full Size Steel		—
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SERVICE & MAINTENANCE

Service Interval	15,000 km or 1 Year	Approx Service Cost	Approx R3,500
Battery Warranty	Not Applicable	Maintenance Plan	Optional

WARRANTY

Warranty Years	3 years	Warranty Kilometers	100000 km
Roadside Assistance	3 Years	Anti-Corrosion Warranty	6 Years

ENVIRONMENTAL & EMISSIONS

CO2 Emissions	125 g/km	Start Stop System	Not Available
Hybrid System Type	Not Applicable	Noise Level	68 dB

05 Toyota Starlet Cross — 1.5 XS CVT

ZAR 325,000

Petrol · Automatic · Mid Trim

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5L Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Type	Inline 4-cylinder 2NR-VE
Displacement	1496 cc	Cylinders	4
Valves per Cylinder	4	Power	88 kW
Power @ RPM	6000 rpm	Torque	140 Nm
Torque @ RPM	4800 rpm	Fuel System	Multi-Point Injection
Turbocharger	Not Available	Top Speed	170 km/h
0-100 km/h	11.8 sec	Compression Ratio	12.5:1
Engine Position	Front Transverse		—

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	CVT Automatic	Drive Type	FWD
Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive	LSD Available	Not Available
Paddle Shifters	Not Available	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable		—

DIMENSIONS

Ground Clearance	185 mm	Wheelbase	2620 mm
Length	4320 mm	Width	1795 mm
Height	1620 mm	Kerb Weight	1120 kg
Gross Vehicle Weight	1520 kg	Seating Capacity	5
Boot Space	290 l	Towing Capacity	Not Rated kg
Front Track Width	1520 mm	Rear Track Width	1510 mm
Turning Radius	5.2 m		—

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	14.5 km/l	City Mileage	11 km/l
Highway Mileage	17 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l
Emission Standard	Euro 5	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Auto Start Stop	Not Available		—

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	Traction Control	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Not Available	Hill Start Assist	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard	ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Brake Assist	Standard	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Standard
Engine Immobiliser	Standard	Alarm System	Standard
Central Locking	Standard	Side Impact Beams	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Automatic AC	Power Windows	All Doors
Keyless Entry	Standard	Push Button Start	Standard
Wireless Charging	Optional	Sunroof	Standard
Electric Tailgate	Not Available	Automatic Headlamps	Standard
Rain Sensing Wipers	Standard	Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available

INFOTAINMENT & CONNECTIVITY

Infotainment Screen	9-inch Touchscreen	Apple CarPlay	Standard
Android Auto	Standard	Bluetooth Connectivity	Standard
Number of Speakers	4	Navigation System	Optional
Digital Instrument Cluster	Full Digital	USB Ports	3
Wireless Apple CarPlay	Standard		—

INTERIOR

Seat Material	Fabric	Seat Adjustment	Manual
Heated Seats	Not Available	Ventilated Seats	Not Available
Steering Type	Electric Power Assisted	Steering Adjustment	Tilt and Telescopic
Ambient Lighting	Not Available	Folding Rear Seats	60/40 Split
Front Armrest	Standard	Rear Armrest	Not Available

EXTERIOR

LED Headlamps	LED Projector	Daytime Running Lamps	LED
Fog Lamps	Standard	Roof Rails	Standard
Alloy Wheel Design	17-inch Alloy	Chrome Exterior Finish	Not Available
Body Cladding	Standard	Rear Spoiler	Not Available

DRIVER ASSISTANCE

Cruise Control	Standard	Adaptive Cruise Control	Not Available
Lane Keep Assist	Not Available	Lane Departure Warning	Standard
Blind Spot Monitoring	Standard	Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Not Available
Parking Sensors	Rear	Rear View Camera	Standard
360 Degree Camera	Not Available	Autonomous Emergency Braking	Standard
Driver Fatigue Alert	Not Available	Traffic Sign Recognition	Not Available

SUSPENSION & CHASSIS

Front Suspension	MacPherson Strut	Rear Suspension	Torsion Beam
Chassis Type	Monocoque	Power Steering	Electric
Steering Column	Tilt and Telescopic		—

TYRES, WHEELS & BRAKES

Tyre Size	215/60 R17	Wheel Type	Alloy
Front Brake Type	Ventilated Disc	Rear Brake Type	Drum

Spare Wheel Type	Full Size Steel		—
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SERVICE & MAINTENANCE

Service Interval	15,000 km or 1 Year	Approx Service Cost	Approx R3,500
Battery Warranty	Not Applicable	Maintenance Plan	Optional

WARRANTY

Warranty Years	3 years	Warranty Kilometers	100000 km
Roadside Assistance	3 Years	Anti-Corrosion Warranty	6 Years

ENVIRONMENTAL & EMISSIONS

CO2 Emissions	125 g/km	Start Stop System	Not Available
Hybrid System Type	Not Applicable	Noise Level	68 dB

06 Toyota Starlet Cross — 1.5 XR MT**ZAR 349,900**

Petrol · Manual · Top Trim

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5L Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Type	Inline 4-cylinder 2NR-VE
Displacement	1496 cc	Cylinders	4
Valves per Cylinder	4	Power	88 kW
Power @ RPM	6000 rpm	Torque	140 Nm
Torque @ RPM	4800 rpm	Fuel System	Multi-Point Injection
Turbocharger	Not Available	Top Speed	170 km/h
0-100 km/h	11.8 sec	Compression Ratio	12.5:1
Engine Position	Front Transverse		—

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	5-speed Manual	Drive Type	FWD
Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive	LSD Available	Not Available
Paddle Shifters	Not Available	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable		—

DIMENSIONS

Ground Clearance	185 mm	Wheelbase	2620 mm
Length	4320 mm	Width	1795 mm
Height	1620 mm	Kerb Weight	1120 kg
Gross Vehicle Weight	1520 kg	Seating Capacity	5
Boot Space	290 l	Towing Capacity	Not Rated kg
Front Track Width	1520 mm	Rear Track Width	1510 mm
Turning Radius	5.2 m		—

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Claimed Mileage	14.5 km/l	City Mileage	11 km/l
Highway Mileage	17 km/l	Fuel Tank Capacity	42 l
Emission Standard	Euro 5	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Auto Start Stop	Not Available		—

SAFETY

Airbags	4	ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	Traction Control	Standard
Hill Descent Control	Not Available	Hill Start Assist	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard	ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Brake Assist	Standard	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Standard
Engine Immobiliser	Standard	Alarm System	Standard
Central Locking	Standard	Side Impact Beams	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Manual AC	Power Windows	All Doors
Keyless Entry	Standard	Push Button Start	Not Available
Wireless Charging	Not Available	Sunroof	Not Available
Electric Tailgate	Not Available	Automatic Headlamps	Not Available
Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available	Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available

INFOTAINMENT & CONNECTIVITY

Infotainment Screen	8-inch Touchscreen	Apple CarPlay	Standard
Android Auto	Standard	Bluetooth Connectivity	Standard
Number of Speakers	4	Navigation System	Not Available
Digital Instrument Cluster	Not Available	USB Ports	1
Wireless Apple CarPlay	Not Available		—

INTERIOR

Seat Material	Fabric	Seat Adjustment	Manual
Heated Seats	Not Available	Ventilated Seats	Not Available
Steering Type	Electric Power Assisted	Steering Adjustment	Tilt and Telescopic
Ambient Lighting	Not Available	Folding Rear Seats	60/40 Split
Front Armrest	Standard	Rear Armrest	Not Available

EXTERIOR

LED Headlamps	LED Projector	Daytime Running Lamps	LED
Fog Lamps	Standard	Roof Rails	Standard
Alloy Wheel Design	Steel Wheels	Chrome Exterior Finish	Not Available
Body Cladding	Standard	Rear Spoiler	Not Available

DRIVER ASSISTANCE

Cruise Control	Standard	Adaptive Cruise Control	Not Available
Lane Keep Assist	Not Available	Lane Departure Warning	Not Available
Blind Spot Monitoring	Not Available	Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Not Available
Parking Sensors	Rear	Rear View Camera	Standard
360 Degree Camera	Not Available	Autonomous Emergency Braking	Not Available
Driver Fatigue Alert	Not Available	Traffic Sign Recognition	Not Available

SUSPENSION & CHASSIS

Front Suspension	MacPherson Strut	Rear Suspension	Torsion Beam
Chassis Type	Monocoque	Power Steering	Electric
Steering Column	Tilt and Telescopic		—

TYRES, WHEELS & BRAKES

Tyre Size	215/60 R17	Wheel Type	Steel
Front Brake Type	Ventilated Disc	Rear Brake Type	Drum

Spare Wheel Type	Full Size Steel		—
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SERVICE & MAINTENANCE

Service Interval	15,000 km or 1 Year	Approx Service Cost	Approx R3,500
Battery Warranty	Not Applicable	Maintenance Plan	Optional

WARRANTY

Warranty Years	3 years	Warranty Kilometers	100000 km
Roadside Assistance	3 Years	Anti-Corrosion Warranty	6 Years

ENVIRONMENTAL & EMISSIONS

CO2 Emissions	125 g/km	Start Stop System	Not Available
Hybrid System Type	Not Applicable	Noise Level	68 dB

07 Toyota Starlet Cross — 1.5 XR CVT**ZAR 375,900**

Petrol · Automatic · Top Trim

ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5L Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Type	Inline 4-cylinder 2NR-VE
Displacement	1496 cc	Cylinders	4
Valves per Cylinder	4	Power	88 kW
Power @ RPM	6000 rpm	Torque	140 Nm
Torque @ RPM	4800 rpm	Fuel System	Multi-Point Injection
Turbocharger	Not Available	Top Speed	170 km/h
0-100 km/h	11.8 sec	Compression Ratio	12.5:1
Engine Position	Front Transverse		—

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Transmission	CVT Automatic	Drive Type	FWD
Drivetrain Layout	Front Wheel Drive	LSD Available	Not Available
Paddle Shifters	Not Available	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable		—

DIMENSIONS

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Emission Standard	Euro 5	AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l
Auto Start Stop	Not Available		—

SAFETY

Airbags	6	ABS	Standard
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Hill Descent Control	Not Available	Hill Start Assist	Standard
Child Safety Lock	Standard	ISOFIX Mounts	Standard
Brake Assist	Standard	Tyre Pressure Monitor	Standard
Engine Immobiliser	Standard	Alarm System	Standard
Central Locking	Standard	Side Impact Beams	Standard

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Climate Control	Automatic AC	Power Windows	All Doors
Keyless Entry	Standard	Push Button Start	Standard
Wireless Charging	Optional	Sunroof	Standard
Electric Tailgate	Not Available	Automatic Headlamps	Standard
Rain Sensing Wipers	Standard	Auto Dimming Mirror	Not Available

INFOTAINMENT & CONNECTIVITY

Infotainment Screen	9-inch Touchscreen	Apple CarPlay	Standard
Android Auto	Standard	Bluetooth Connectivity	Standard
Number of Speakers	4	Navigation System	Optional
Digital Instrument Cluster	Full Digital	USB Ports	3
Wireless Apple CarPlay	Standard		—

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Seat Material	Fabric	Seat Adjustment	Manual
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Steering Type	Electric Power Assisted	Steering Adjustment	Tilt and Telescopic
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Front Armrest	Standard	Rear Armrest	Not Available

EXTERIOR

LED Headlamps	LED Projector	Daytime Running Lamps	LED
Fog Lamps	Standard	Roof Rails	Standard
Alloy Wheel Design	17-inch Alloy	Chrome Exterior Finish	Not Available
Body Cladding	Standard	Rear Spoiler	Not Available

DRIVER ASSISTANCE

Cruise Control	Standard	Adaptive Cruise Control	Not Available
Lane Keep Assist	Not Available	Lane Departure Warning	Standard
Blind Spot Monitoring	Standard	Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Not Available
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360 Degree Camera	Not Available	Autonomous Emergency Braking	Standard
Driver Fatigue Alert	Not Available	Traffic Sign Recognition	Not Available

SUSPENSION & CHASSIS

Front Suspension	MacPherson Strut	Rear Suspension	Torsion Beam
Chassis Type	Monocoque	Power Steering	Electric
Steering Column	Tilt and Telescopic		—

TYRES, WHEELS & BRAKES

Tyre Size	215/60 R17	Wheel Type	Alloy
Front Brake Type	Ventilated Disc	Rear Brake Type	Drum

Spare Wheel Type	Full Size Steel		—
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SERVICE & MAINTENANCE

Service Interval	15,000 km or 1 Year	Approx Service Cost	Approx R3,500
Battery Warranty	Not Applicable	Maintenance Plan	Optional

WARRANTY

Warranty Years	3 years	Warranty Kilometers	100000 km
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ENVIRONMENTAL & EMISSIONS

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